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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA **COUNTY OF YAVAPAI**

JOHN B. CUNDIFF and BARBARA C. CUNDIFF, husband and wife; BECKY NASH, a married woman dealing with her separate property; KENNETH PAGE and KATHRYN PAGE, as Trustee of the Kenneth Page and Kathryn Page Trust,

Plaintiffs,

DONALD COX and CATHERINE COX, husband and wife,

Defendants.

Case No. CV 2003-0399

Division 1

PLAINTIFFS' MOTION IN LIMINE TO PRECLUDE DEFENDANTS' INAPPROPRIATE QUESTIONING OF ALFIE WARE

Plaintiffs, John and Barbara Cundiff, Becky Nash, and, Kenneth and Katheryn Page, by and through undersigned counsel, hereby moves this Court for its order precluding Defendants from calling Alfie Ware, or Jane Doe Ware, to testify to Plaintiffs' attorneys' fee arrangements with counsel and their participation in meetings conducted at their home concerning Plaintiffs' lawsuit.

This motion is supported by the following memorandum of points and authorities, as well as the entire record in this proceeding.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 29 day of June, 2005.

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

I. Statement of Case

This case involves Defendants Cox's use of their property as a commercial or business enterprise and other violations of the recorded Declaration of Restrictions. *Cundiff, et al. v. Cox, First Amended Complaint, CV 2003-0399, March 18, 2004.* Plaintiffs are neighboring landowners who are also subject to the June 13, 1974 Declaration of Restrictions that apply to Defendants' land. *Id.* Defendants have raised the affirmative defenses of abandonment, waiver, estoppel, unclean hands and laches. *Cundiff, et al. v. Cox, Answer to First Amended Complaint, May 21, 2004.*

The Court, in its minute entry dated April 4, 2005, (1) granted Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment concerning estoppel, laches and unclean hands, thereby precluding Defendants from raising these affirmative defenses to Plaintiffs' claims, but (2) denied Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment concerning Defendants' right to raise the affirmative defense of waiver of the restrictive covenant prohibiting business and commercial activity.

II. Defendants Should Be Barred From Questioning the Wares Concerning Plaintiffs' Attorneys' Fee Arrangements with Counsel and Their Participation in Privileged Meetings Conducted at Their Home

It is Plaintiffs' position that Defendants are precluded from questioning the Wares in reference to Plaintiffs' attorneys' fee arrangements with counsel as well as their participation in meetings conducted at the Wares' home concerning this lawsuit as these matters are not relevant to the case in chief. Defendants identify Alfie Ware and Jane Doe Ware as witnesses and state "They will testify as to their knowledge of the events leading up to the filing of the above-referenced matter, his motive for, and arrangements with the Plaintiffs for, the Wares' payment of Plaintiffs' attorneys' fees, costs and expenses, their knowledge of the Declaration of Restrictions and violations thereof, their participation in meetings conducted at the Wares' home concerning this lawsuit, their contacts and communications with the owners of property governed by the Declaration of Restrictions governing the subject Property." (Emphasis Added). Defendants should be limited to questioning the Wares

concerning what they have seen in reference to the issues of this litigation—the violations of the Declaration of Restrictions concerning commercial business and activity in the subdivision. The portions underlined above are irrelevant to the case in chief. Defendants should be precluded from questioning the Wares on those issues save for purposes of an award of Plaintiffs' attorneys' fees.

III. Conclusion

Defendants' intention to question the Wares on issues other than enforcement of the prohibition against business or commercial activity in the subdivision is irrelevant to the case in chief.

Therefore, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court enter its order precluding Defendants from questioning the Wares concerning Plaintiffs' attorneys' fee arrangements with counsel as well as their participation in meetings conducted at the Wares' home concerning this lawsuit as these matters are not relevant to the case in chief.

DATED this $\frac{29}{2}$ day of June, 2005.

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